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It has been suggested that it would be a good thing to appoint a number of sidesmen, who should have charge of different parts of the church, showing people into vacant seats and seeing that all worshippers are provided with a Prayer and Hymn Book, and also taking the collection. This is now the usual custom in most churches. If we could appoint two or four sets of sidesmen to be on duty either on alternate Sundays or on one Sunday in each month, we should be making an improvement on the present arrangement. Whether these sidesmen, if it is thought good to appoint them, should be elected at the annual meeting or appointed by the Church Body is a moot point.

The Annual Meeting of worshippers in the Peak Church will also be held during the month. Here again it would be a good thing to have some sidesmen who would be responsible for making the collection at the early Celebration of the Holy Communion and of counting the Alms afterwards. The present method of asking someone who happens to be present to take the bag round is not ideal. Some who are asked may not care to do so, though hitherto all who have been dropped on for this task have most kindly performed it. "Church Notes."

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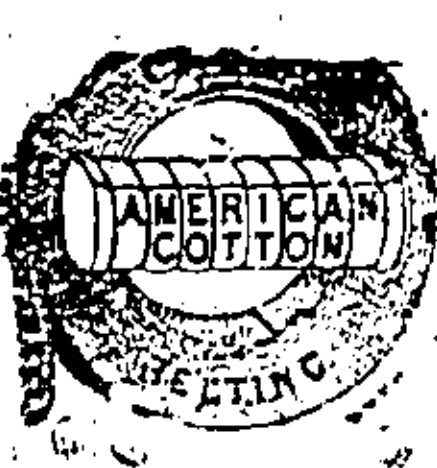
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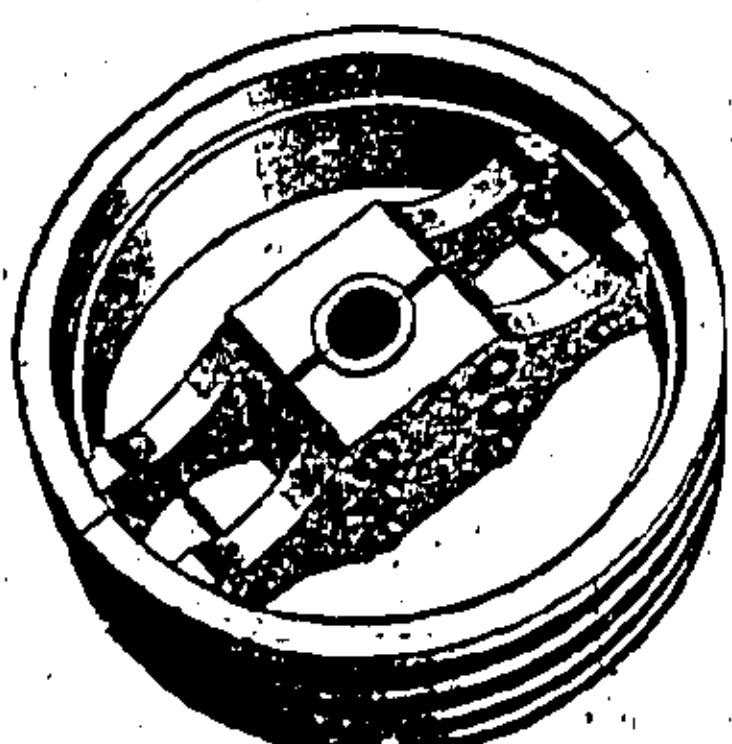
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Mr Angus Hamilton, who a few years

ago was Editor of the "South China

Morning Post," has just returned to London

and narrated his thrilling experiences at

the front when he was captured. He was

acting as war correspondent with the Turks

for the Central News when he happened

accidentally to ride into the Bulgarian

lines, and was taken prisoner. His story

is:—

"I had been captured between ten and

eleven in the morning, and about two I

was led past the halting-places of the of-

ficers of the 30th Infantry, where I was

stopped and questioned. The escort's

explanation that I was being taken to the

quartier-general by General Popoff's

orders was not sufficient for the colonel

commanding, who ordered me to dis-

mount.

"Before I could comply, I was seized by

a number of people and dragged from my

horse, a revolver was held to my face, a

sword to my throat, and my arms were

twisted behind my back. I was again

searched, and asked for my revolver and

papers. Everything I possessed was taken

from me, the colonel himself going through

my pockets with a delicacy which suggested

that I might have been a thief caught red-

handed in the act of committing some

crime.

"The conversation was pointed and

personal, and was conducted in French,

German, and English. I was called upon

to explain what my papers meant, what

various pencil-marks on the map which I

carried indicated, and why I was wearing

Turkish uniform. I explained that I was

not wearing Turkish uniform, but the

ordinary shooting kit of an Englishman,

but this protest elicited nothing more

satisfactory than a tightening of the ropes

on my arms.

"IN PERIL OF MY LIFE."

"When this little scene had continued

for some considerable time, I was warned

that I was in peril of my life, and that if

I attempted to get away I would be shot.

Then I was ordered to mount my horse,

my knees were strapped to the saddle, and

my escort was increased to six, one of

whom, an officer, rode behind me with a

loaded revolver pointed at my back."

The party failed to find the quarter-

general, and at nightfall Mr Hamilton was

taken back to the bivouac of the officers of

the 30th Infantry. He says:—

"I was at once told to dismount, and to

sit upon the ground, where my knees and

ankles were bound with ropes, and the

whole tiresome business of ascertaining

my identity repeated. I was examined,

cross-examined, and re-examined, respec-

tively told that I was a liar, threatened

with death, and regaled with stories of

Turkish inefficiency, cowardice, and demor-

alisation, and with epic narratives about

Bulgarian bravery.

FOOD REFUSED.

"Some three or four hours passed in

this way, during which I frequently asked

that my ropes might be loosened, to the

end that my hands also were bound. I

asked for food, but it was refused; I asked

for drink, it was refused; and when the

officers round me had taken their evening

meal and were dispersing to their various

bivouacs, the officers of the 30th Infantry

took me into a small tent, and for the best

part of an hour submitted me to an

experience which I never wish to have

repeated.

The ceremony was prefaced with the

statement that if I would confess to being

a Turkish officer I should be given a com-

fortable bed for the night and a good

dinner. Not being able to comply I had

necessarily to submit to the treatment

which followed. I was made to stand up,

my arms were twisted behind my back and

bound, while an officer with a drawn

revolver sat just behind me.

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"In front of me were other officers who

proceeded to strip me and to examine my

s in and my body generally for the marks

which would prove that I was a Turkish

officer, or, failing that, a British officer

assisting the Turks. Without being able

to go into the details of what happened in

the tent, I may say that it was proved

beyond doubt by a Red Cross man who

was present that I was 'a true Constanti-

nople Turk.'

"My clothes, my fez, my arm bandage

inscribed in Turkish characters, 'Corres-

pondent of the Central News,' were of

course direct evidence of my Turkish

origin, and the officers now proceeded to

go through my papers, which comprised

a passport with photograph attached from

the Foreign Office.

"At this point some soldiers thrust into

the tent a boy between sixteen and nine-

teen years of age. He may have been a

Greek or Bulgarian, he certainly was not

a Turk, but having been beaten across

the face with a whip and so reduced to

a condition of absolute terror, he was

asked whether my clothes were not those

of a Turkish army officer.

"Without a moment's hesitation he

identified both myself and my clothes, his

willingness in this respect being equalled

only by the engaging candour of one of

the officers present, who suddenly recalled

my name as that of a Turkish officer he

had heard about at Salonika. I was now

told that my identity was established, and

I was urged to confess my name, rank, and

position.

EXPECTED TO BE SHOT.

"As I elected to maintain my own point

of view I was taken outside the tent to a

cart which stood three or four yards away,

thrown upon the ground, pulled into a

sitting position, and tied to a wheel. In

this position I was left, though my redactions

were smoothed by a sentry who stood at my

feet, and by an officer with a red mousta-

che, who from time to time emerged from the

tent to explain that he was a man of humanity,

and it was his sacred duty to advise me

to confess, so that my soul should be in

peace, for in the morning I was to be shot."

After being compelled to remain in this

unpleasant position for something like

three hours an officer who had spoken

to Mr Hamilton during the course of

the day was attracted by the singular ap-

pearance, and questioned him as to what

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Hongkong, January 4, 1913. 21

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Outstanding insurance amounts

to.....\$282,653,220

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Surplus amounts to.....\$ 17,828,766

Dividends to Policyholders

1910.....10,475,115

Total paid Policyholders 1910

58,439,389

Total Expenses for 1910.....10,392,093

Gross earnings from Interest

and Rents for 1910.....21,466,621

Gross rate of Income from

Investments 1910.....4.48%

Hongkong, Feb. 23, 1912. 27

NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE

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IN WHICH ARE VESTED THE RESOURCES OF

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TOTAL FUNDS AT 31st DECEMBER, 1911.

—Authorized Capital £2,000,000

Subscribed Capital £2,500,000

Paid-up Capital.....£2,437,500

—Fire Funds.....£,826,114

—Life & Annuity Funds.....16,136,180

Sinking Fund Account.....88,512

£28,521,306

Revenues Fire Branch.....£,567,158

Life and Annuity Branch.....1,973,289

Revenues Marine Department.....263,124

Other Receipts.....430,193

£28,521,306

The Accumulated Funds of the various

Branches are separately invested, and, by

Act of Parliament, are set aside to meet

the claims under the respective Depart-

ments of the Company's Business.

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HONGKONG VOLUNTEER

RESERVES.

MUSKETRY.

Standard Test will be carried out at
King's Park Range on Saturday, 26th
January, at 2.30 p.m., and Sunday, 26th
at 9.30 a.m.

Any members who have not completed
part I of the Musketry Course and are able
to attend one evening in the week, (except
drill evenings) are requested to inform the
Secretary, when arrangements will be made
for them to fire this part of the Course.

In future drills will take place at Volun-
teer Headquarters on Mondays and Thurs-
days at 5.30 p.m.

UNIFORM.

Uniform for the undermentioned is in
store at Volunteer Headquarters. The
Secretary will be glad if members will
draw same at their early convenience.

Members Elwes, G. L. Dupan, Charlton,
Gregory, Rattenden, Folly, Foster, F. A.
Brown, Simpson, Oliver, H. Ellis, Grone,
Budge, R. Farrell, Dobbs, Bain, Geddes,
McGrann, R. Stewart, Malcolm, Hulien,
Nesbit, Aslett, Woolley, G. L. Wilson,
C. W. Brett, Gedge, Millington, Comper, and
Piesse.

PEAK RANGE.

Shooting will take place at the Peak
Range during the ensuing month as fol-
lows:—300 yards: 3 to 5 p.m. January
11th, 10 to 12 noon January 12th.

100 yards: 3 to 5 p.m. January 18th,
10 to 12 noon January 19th.

The Professional pairs competition will
run concurrently with the above com-
petitions.

GAZETTE.

Mr. A. Patterson, from leave, has gone
third engineer, Kuto.

Mr. R. Aitken, third engineer, Kuto,
has gone acting second engineer, same
ship. Mr. G. B. Maucham, second en-
gineer, Kuto, is on leave.

Mr. H. T. Pollock has been appointed
second officer, Hantsing. Mr. A. Mur-
phy, second officer, Hantsing, has re-
signed.

Mr. G. E. Wake, acting master, Kwoi-
lin, is awaiting orders. Captain G. S.
Mills, of the Tanning, has gone master,
Kwoilin.

Mr. E. A. Thompson, second officer,
Hantsing, is on leave.

Mr. J. Farrell, second officer, Hantsing,
is on leave.

Mr. F. Bennett, supernumerary, Hantsing,
has gone second officer, same ship.

Mr. A. Buchanan, from leave, has gone
chief engineer, Wenchow. Mr. K. S.
Logan, acting chief engineer, Wenchow,
has gone second engineer, Poyang.

Mr. J. McLaughy, acting chief officer,
Hantsing, has gone second officer, Hantsing.

Mr. D. McDougall, acting second en-
gineer, Poyang, has gone third engineer,
same ship.

Mr. C. Thomson, chief officer, Hantsing,
has gone supernumerary, Hantsing.

Mr. R. McWilliam, third engineer,
Poyang, has gone supernumerary, Hsin
Peking.

Mr. J. Mathias, from reserve, has gone
chief officer, Tungting.

Captain R. H. Lloyd, of the Wenchow,
is on leave. Mr. W. J. Freer, from re-
serve, has gone acting master, Wenchow.

Captain H. Froggatt, of the Tungwah,
has gone master, Kwangchi. Captain
W. R. Wallace, of the Kwangchi, has
gone master, Tungwah.

Mr. M. McPhail, second engineer,
Hantsing, has gone second engineer, Yu-
shun. Mr. J. Low, second engineer,
Yushun, has gone second engineer,
Hantsing.

Mr. J. Nelson, second engineer, Kiang-
wah, has gone second engineer, Kiang-
teeng. Mr. C. Davidson, second engineer,
Kiangteeng, has gone in the Kiangwah.

Mr. C. Timbrell, chief engineer, Chi-
yuen, is on leave. Mr. D. Palmer,
second engineer, Hsinchi, has gone ac-
ting chief engineer, Chi-yuen. Mr. A.
Wood, from leave, has gone second en-
gineer, Hsinchi. China Shipping and
Engineering Gazette.

It is reported that Mr. L. Anderson,
who has been appointed American
Ambassador in Tokyo in succession to
Colonel Bryan, left Brussels, his former
post, for Japan via Siberia, on the
21st ult. His Excellency is accom-
panied by Mrs. Anderson and their
daughter. The Ambassador and party
were expected to pass through Otsu on the
end of last month on their way to Tokyo.

A Changchun despatch, dated 14th
ult., says that the bodies of seven men,
who are suspected to have died from
plague, have been discovered in a village
23 miles from that town. Mr. Matsuda,
of the Kwantung Government General, and
Mr. Turbaine of the S.M.E. Company
were to be despatched to the village to-
gether with a Chinese Sanitary Committee
on the 15th. According to a despatch from
Hankow, two cases of lung pest have been
found in the vicinity of Waifengtschuk
station in Szechuan Province. Both cases
proved fatal, but there is no sign of the
plague spreading. The dead body of a
Chinese, recently found at a place some
75 Chinese miles east of Tsingtau, in
southern Manchuria, is also suspected to have been
infected with plague.

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Hongkong, September 27, 1912. 1225

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TREATMENTS OF THE THROAT.

Their Cure and Prevention.

UNDER the existing climatic conditions,
throat ailments are becoming preva-
lent. Among the most frequent are simple
sore throat, tonsillitis and ulcerated sore
throat.

These affections are due to germs which
have been inhaled by the sufferer and have
multiplied in his throat, overcoming his
powers of resistance to them, because his
vitality has been lowered by over-exertion,
worry or illness, etc.

Whatever the throat complaint, it is of the
utmost importance that it should be checked
at the first, and the germs in the throat
destroyed. It is, therefore, essential that they
must be destroyed.

To cure any complaint, the cause must
first be removed. In throat diseases, the
cause is the presence of the germs in the
throat. It is, therefore, essential that they
must be destroyed.

Until a few years ago, patients were un-
der-treated for the purpose. To-day, this
treatment is known to be useless, for, as
a specialist has written in "The Lancet":
"Gargles are best avoided, especially when
the parts are inflamed," for they cannot
reach the germs in the more distant parts
of the throat.

What Doctors Say.

Now, every doctor employs Wulff's
Formamint—the pleasant-tasting, germ-
killing throat lozenge to cure all forms of
sore throat. Thousands of doctors have
endorsed this preparation in the highest
possible terms. One of them writes in "The
Practitioner": "Having tried all the British
Pharmaceutical lozenges, and most of the
well-known proprietary antiseptic lozenges,
I have become reduced to one, and one
only (for sore throat), namely, Wulff's
Formamint."

It is so powerful, that a distinguished
scientist once mixed a little Formamint with
water and added it to the violent germs
taken from the throat of a patient danger-
ously ill with diphtheria. The germs were
all killed within ten minutes. This suggested
the use of Wulff's Formamint for curing
sore throat, and preventing it and germ
diseases. It is now constantly used for
these purposes.

Numbers of distinguished people have
testified to the efficacy of Wulff's
Formamint for curing sore throats.

The Rt. Hon. Viscount Massereene and
Ferens writes: "I have used Wulff's
Formamint most effectively for the cure of
sore throat, which quickly disappears after
using a few tablets."

The Rt. Hon. Lord Glanville writes: "I
have been using Wulff's Formamint for
sore throat with most satisfactory results."

The Rt. Hon. Lord Kingsland writes: "I
and my family use quite a number of Wulff's
Formamint Tablets, and find them
all you say they are. I always carry a
goodly number in my pocket, and have
recommended them to my friends."

Lord Sherborne writes that he "finds
Wulff's Formamint very useful in all
affections of the throat; and the facility with
which it can be carried about in the pocket
gives it a decided advantage over gargles."

Statements like these, made by such
distinguished men, must convince everyone
of the supreme value of Wulff's Formamint
for curing sore throat.

TRY FORMAMINT TO-DAY.

Wulff's Formamint may be obtained of
all Chemists, in bottles of fifty tablets. Its
success has caused many imitations to be
put on the market. Do not be deceived by
any and not one of them are "just as
good." They are not. You court possible
disaster and certain disappointment if you
rely on these to cure your sore throat or to
prevent germ diseases. A physician has
written that he "has tried six substitutes
and found none so efficacious."

Instant therefore, on getting the genuine
Wulff's Formamint. Write to Messrs
A. Wulff & Co., 6, Kiukiang Road,
Shanghai, mentioning this paper, and they
will send, free of charge, a Booklet, dealing
with sore throat, and written by a
London physician.

THE AMERICAN NEW STYLE CHAIR.

Hongkong, August 19, 1912. 1405

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INTIMATIONS

But in spite of all this the majority of us confine the care of our teeth to brushing them with tooth-powders or tooth-pastes, as if the whole art of keeping the teeth in good condition merely depended on superficially cleansing them from impurities, just as dust is removed from china. The teeth are discoloured, injured, and ultimately brought into peril by something far more serious than dust that can be brushed off—by microbes and processes of fermentation. And it is necessary to combat these processes in the only way in which they can be combated, that is, by antiseptics, which must be liquid, antiseptics that will wash the whole mouth.

On the contrary, the mischief mostly begins precisely in those localities which are difficult of access, such as the backs of the molars, in the cracks and crevices in and between the teeth, and in other cavities. Thus it is self-evident that in order to protect the teeth from injury, and to keep them sound, it is absolutely indispensable to use an antiseptic fluid which will reach all parts of the mouth and teeth, penetrate the hollows, pass between the crevices, enter the fissures, antiseptically cleanse the backs of the molars, and, in short, be effective everywhere.

Odol is the first and only preparation for cleansing the mouth and teeth which exercises its antiseptic and refreshing powers *not only* during the few moments of application, but continuously for hours afterwards.

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**IMPORTANT
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of numerous in-

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NEWS FROM HOME.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

LONDON, Dec. 11.
NORTH-WEST PERSIA.

Mr. Price was arrested by Cossacks in the Persian town of Khioi, while he was walking in the bazaar. He was told that Russian martial law had been declared in that part of Persia and that orders had been issued to arrest foreigners. After several hours' detention and a long argument with a Russian diplomatic agent Mr. Price was released. He estimates that there are 10,000 Russian troops in the Azerbaijan and Khersin provinces and he denies the statement that Russia has withdrawn her troops to the Caucasus. The effect of this occupation is to reduce the Persian Government to mere puppets in the hands of the Russian military authorities, and should it continue, then one can say that the Russian frontier has been shifted 160 miles south of Mount Ararat. Mr. Price further gives instances of Russian approval of these Kurdish chiefs who annoy the Turkish authorities. The Russian soldiers, in fact, are manning the Kurdish frontier.

Again, the Russian authorities are interfering to prevent the Belgian customs officials from putting the provincial finances shipshape. To sum up, Mr. Price declares that the Persian Government is being strangled and there is a total disregard of the Anglo-Russian Convention in that part of Persia.

DRIVER KNOX STRIKE.
Whether it is a strike for "the right to get drunk," as the "Standard" says, or a "strike against public safety" as the "Daily Mail" puts it, I am not prepared to say, but it is abundantly evident already that general sympathy is all with the railway authorities in what will be known as the Driver Knox Strike on the North Eastern Railway.

Mr. Knux's grievance is that after having been convicted of drunkenness while on duty he was degraded from his position as a main line driver to that of a pilot-engine driver, with a corresponding reduction in wages of 1/6 a day. The point in dispute is unusually well defined. The men say that Driver Knux was wrongly convicted, and that the Company have no right of supervision of employees when off duty. On the other hand the Company contend that in the interests of public safety they cannot employ as engine-driver a man who has been convicted of drunkenness, and that Knux will be reinstated after a period of probation if his conduct continues satisfactory.

It may be added that the magistrates described the evidence against Knox as "very unsatisfactory" and the fine imposed was 5/- and costs. Several thousand men have come out in sympathy, but the strike is not authorised by the Union officials and there will be no strike pay.

REVOLUTION IN GUNNERY

Various contradictory statements have been made with regard to the tests off Portland of Sir Percy Scott's new fire director. In Bantley Bay the Thunderbolt fired the Orion badly, and exactly similar conditions were ordered for another test in waters nearer home so that various Admiralty officials could be present. While some papers assert that the Orion won, the Manchester Courier comments so strongly for the Thunderbolt, which, according to this paper again beat the Orion by three to one. As all gunnery experiments are conducted with much secrecy, we shall not be told what really happened, but the Courier claims that the system has been proved a distinct success and will trouble the fighting efficiency of the Navy.

THE CHINA SQUADRON.

The decision of the Admiralty to recall the Defence from the China Squadron for service in the Mediterranean and to replace her by the *Hampshire* is taken by the "Pall Mall Gazette" to be the latest evidence of the present insufficiency of the British Navy to discharge its wider duties to the Empire. In 1905 the *Attol*-squadron was recalled from China. In 1910 the *Belford* was lost and replaced by the *Newcastle*. This year the *Frank* was recalled and not replaced. The *New Zealand* was retained for service in Home waters, and now the *Hampshire* replaces the *Defence*.

Until the new Pacific Fleet is created, the only armoured units of importance outside European waters will be the Australian and the Minotaur, the one in the Pacific, the other in Australian waters. Leaving the Navy of Japan altogether out of account, the British force in Chinese waters will be little, if any, superior to the German. The "P.M.G." views the future with alarm, unless the Admiralty firmly determines to adopt and maintain a standard of Two Keels to One.

Rumours have been current for some time past in the City with regard to the desiring of the British financial interests in the matter of the financing of China. A number of important firms and institutions are likely to co-operate with the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank in the future loans, and together form the British Syndicate. In the interest of Britain and of the numerous British investors in the stocks of that country, the editor of the "Standard" hopes that the rumours are correct. If the British Syndicate is headed by the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, with its unmatched knowledge of Chinese affairs, then the chances of that country would be in the hands of one of the strongest financial groups which have been formed in this country.

THE PAY OF THE NAVY.

The reports from the ships in commission and from the naval ports agree that a sense of pleasure and satisfaction has been lessened with a more complete knowledge of the details of the pay scheme, the prevailing feeling is that Mr. Churchill and his colleagues have been well rewarded in their allocation of the sum for their disposal. The immediate effect will be to increase the numbers of men engaging for a further term of service. The opinion is strongly held by those who ought to know that after the month's advance has once been paid its stimulative effect on recruiting will soon be felt throughout the villages where the bluejackets find their homes.

The dedication took place recently, at Hingham, Massachusetts, with appropriate ceremonies, of the bell-tower erected to commemorate the landing of the pilgrims from Hingham, Norfolk, England, 278 years ago. The corner stone of the tower was presented by the inhabitants of Hingham, Norfolk, it being a stepping-stone which had stood in the public square of the English town for 700 years.

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24 Pages: 01:35 to 02:25

Name.	Class.	Tons.	Guns.	I.H.P.	Commander.	Last report of
Alacrity	despatch-vessel	1700	19	2000	Comdr. C. L. Lambe	Hongkong
Atlas	Admiralty tug	—	—	—	Master W. West	Hongkong
Bramble	river gunboat	710	2	900	Lt.-Comdr. B. E. Pritchard	Hakow
Britonmair	river gunboat	710	2	900	Lieut.-Comdr. W. H. Darwall	Yangtze River
Cadmus	sloop	1072	6	1400	Commr. H. P. E. T. Williams	Shanghai
Cherub	water tank and tug	390	—	300	Master H. Smith	Hongkong
Clio	sloop	1073	6	1400	Comdr. Colin Mackenzie, D.S.O.	Canton
Fame	torpedo boat destroyer	360	6	5700	Lieut.-Comdr. Wilkinson	Hongkong
Flora	cruiser, 2nd class	4380	10	7000	Capt. C. F. Corbett, M.V.O.	Shanghai
Handy	torpedo boat destroyer	275	6	4000	Lt.-Comdr. Bricekiddin	Hongkong
Janus	torpedo boat destroyer	280	6	3900	Lt.-Comdr. Boddian-Whetham	Hongkong
Kent	cruiser, 1st class	9000	14	22,000	Capt. A. T. Hunt, C.S.I.	Hongkong
Kinsha	river gunboat	212	4	1200	Lt.-Comdr. H. D. Marryat	Yangtze
Lotin	sloop	1040	—	—	Capt. F. C. C. Pascoe	Hongkong
Minotaur	cruiser, 1st class	14,600	—	27,000	Capt. G. C. Cayley	Hongkong
Monmouth	cruiser, 1st class	9800	—	22,000	Capt. B. H. F. Bartlett	Hongkong
Moorhen	river gunboat	180	2	800	Lt.-Com. Alan Dixon	Hongkong
Newcastle	cruiser, 2nd class	4800	12	22,000	Capt. Frederick A. Powlett	Hongkong
Nightingale	river gunboat	85	2	240	Lieut.-Com. Malcolm Murray	Yangtze
Other	torpedo boat destroyer	350	6	6300	Lt.-Comdr. E. T. B. Chambers	Hongkong
Ribble	torpedo boat destroyer	350	—	7500	Lt.-Comdr. E. J. G. Mackinnon	Hongkong
Rosario	depot ship, submarines	950	—	1400	Lt.-Comdr. N. E. Archdale	Hongkong
Robin	river gunboat	85	2	240	Lt.-Comdr. Nash	West River
Sandpiper	river gunboat	85	2	240	Lt.-Com. I. A. S. Hutton	Hongkong
Snipe	river gunboat	85	2	240	Lt.-Comdr. Maurice B. Leslie	Yangtze
Taku	torpedo boat destroyer	350	6	6500	Gunner W. H. Ryder	Hongkong
Tamar	receiving ship	4650	6	—	Commodore P. H. Anstruther, C.M.G.	Hongkong
Tal	river gunboat	180	2	800	Lt.-Comdr. Hon. G. Stopford	Upper Yangtze
Thistle	river gunboat	710	2	900	Lt.-Com. H. R. N. Cottrell-Dorner	Kiukiang
Tiger	torpedo boat destroyer	590	—	7500	Lt.-Comdr. Maxwell	Upper Yangtze
Tirago	torpedo boat destroyer	555	6	6300	Lieut.-Com. H. D. Adair-Hall	Hongkong
Velland	torpedo boat destroyer	590	—	7500	Comdr. Seymour	Hongkong
Whiting	torpedo boat destroyer	360	6	5900	Comdr. R. Neville	Shanghai
Widgeon	river gunboat	195	2	800	Lt.-Com. J. C. F. Barrett	Upper Yangtze
Woodcock	river gunboat	180	2	500	Lt.-Com. M. Blackwell	Yangtze
Woodlark	river gunboat	130	2	600	Lt.-Comdr. Lloyd	Shanghai
36	submarine	—	—	—	Lt. C. Godfrey Herbert	Hongkong
37	submarine	—	—	—	Lt.-Comdr. A. A. L. Fenner	Hongkong
38	submarine	—	—	—	Lt.-Comdr. J. R. A. Codrington	Hongkong
335	torpedo boat	—	—	—	Lt.-Comdr. Handley	Hongkong
336	torpedo boat	—	—	—	Lt.-Comdr. Suleman	West River
337	torpedo boat	—	—	—	Lt.-Comdr. Nicol	Hongkong
338	torpedo boat	—	—	—	Lt.-Comdr. H. W. Seymour	West River

Name.	Flag and description.	Tons.	Guns.	H.P.	Captains.	Last report a
Kaiser Franz Joseph I	Austro-Hungarian cruiser	4000	45	8000	Capt. H. Nauta	Shanghai
Dupleix †	French armoured cruiser	10,014	30	20,000	Capt. Vergos	Shanghai
Kléber	French armoured cruiser	9730	12	19,600	Capt. Gouts	Hongkong
Décidée	French gunboat	845	10	1300	Lieut. Vandier	Saigon
Argus	French river gunboat	180	6	570	Lieut. Dordet	Canton
Vigilante	French gunboat	123	7	500	Lieut. de Jervillier	Canton
Paiho	French gunboat	130	—	—	Lieut. Collin	Tongkin
Dondard de Lagree	French gunboat	—	—	—	Lieut. Dupuy Dutemps	Tchong-Kin
† Flagship of Rear-Admiral Colloch de Kerillis, Commander-in-Chief, the French China Station.						
Lynx	French sub-marine.	—	—	—	Lieut. Boliux	Saigon
Protee	French sub-marine	—	—	—	—	Saigon
* Styr	French armoured gunboat	1798	10	1700	Lieut. Guillaume-Louis	Saigon
Fronde	French destroyer	350	7	303	Lieut. Aurillac	Saigon
d'Iberville	French destroyer	—	—	—	Capt. de Frigate, Roussin	Hongkong
Pistolet	French destroyer	130	7	300	Comdr. de Marquessar	Saigon
Mousquet	French destroyer	307	6	300	—	Saigon
Manche	French surveying-ship	1825	10	9000	Comdr. Voisin	Saigon

A-2	U. S. submarine				Ensign J. McC. Murray -	Cavite
A-4	"				Lieut. E. D. McWhorter	Cavite
A-6	"				Ensign J. C. Van de Carr	Cavite
A-7	"				Ensign C. M. Yates	Cavite
Albany	U. S. protected cruiser	3430	10	7500	Com. M. I. Bristol	Cruising
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Picotaqua	U. S. sea-going tug	854	2	1600	Lieut. S. W. Wallace	Canton
Pompey	U. S. Repair ship	3085	—	—	Lieut. W. O. Wallace	Cavite
Quidros	U. S. gunboat	350	2	208	Lieut. J. J. Haunigan	Shanghai
Rainbow	U. S. cruiser	4380	14	1800	Lt. Comdr. D. W. Wurtzbaugh	Sydney
Sadai	U. S. gunboat	243	8	250	La. G. C. Dicanna	Shanghai
Saratoga	U. S. armored cruiser	8116	14	11,401	Comdr. H. A. Wiley	Sydney
Villalobos	U. S. gunboat	870	9	208	Lieut. E. Durr	Shanghai
Wilmington	U. S. gunboat	1287	8	1084	Comdr. J. F. Hubbard	Shanghai
Wompatuck	U. S. tug	669	—	620	Chief Boatswain P. E. Beckwith	Olongapo
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THE PEACE CONFERENCE.

"ORTHODOX CHRISTMAS" BEING HELD.

LONDON, Jan. 7.

The delegates of the Allies are of opinion that an adjournment over the Orthodox Christmas will afford the Turks time to consider and submit more acceptable proposals at the next meeting, which will be held on Friday, and possibly on Thursday. In the meantime it is possible for private negotiations to be resumed between the delegates on both sides.

THE AMBASSADORS AND THE "INDEFINITE POSTPONEMENT."

LATER.

Ambassadors met at the Foreign Office to consider the position arising from the indefinite postponement of the peace negotiations.

THE POWERS AND ADRIANOPLE.

Reuter's correspondent states that the Ambassadors are awaiting instructions with a view of a settlement between the belligerents by united action. It is believed that the Powers are not opposed to the cession of Adrianople to Bulgaria.

THE POWERS ON THE QUI VIVE.

In the House of Commons Sir Edward Grey announced that the action of the Powers in the event of the failure of the conference was receiving the attention of the Powers, but he was unable to make a statement of their decisions until it could be made by common consent.

INDIA AND OPIUM.

PROTEST FROM FRANCE.

LONDON, Jan. 7.

At question time in the House of Commons, Mr. Asquith, Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs, said the Government did not intend to terminate the Opium Agreement of 1911. The Government of India had taken steps to suspend the sales of certified opium.

A message from Calcutta says it is understood that the French Government on behalf of Indo-China and the Siam Government are protesting against the Indian Government's policy of restricting opium exports on the ground that they will lose heavily on customs duty.

THE HOME RULE BILL.

REJECTION BY THE HOUSE OF LORDS.

LONDON, Jan. 7.

The Daily Telegraph says that it is believed that the Duke of Devonshire will move the rejection of the Home Rule Bill in the House of Lords.

IMPORTANT AMENDMENT ACCEPTED.

In the House of Commons on the report stage of the Home Rule for Ireland Bill, the Government has accepted an amendment by Sir A. Macdonald (L.) M. P. for Swansea Town, providing for proportional representation in any constituency returning three or more Members to the Irish House of Commons. It is intended to extend over a period of three years, and applies to Dublin, Dublin County, Cork and Belfast.

TRUSTS AND "CORNERS."

FRESH LEGISLATION IN UNITED STATES.

LONDON, Jan. 7.

A correspondent at Washington telegraphs that the Supreme Court has now delivered judgment in connection with the cotton cornering case, the effect of which is to make cornering on "change" illegal. It is regarded as being the most far-reaching application of the Trust Law up to the present.

The Hon. Mr. Wickersham, the Attorney-General, thinks that it will solve the problem of the high cost of living as the Government are empowered to break up any corner in food stuffs.

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OIL STEAMER WRECKED.

33 PERSONS DROWNED.

LONDON, Jan. 7.

A telegram from the Asturias states that the Oregon oil steamer, "Resecans" has been wrecked in a storm. Thirty-three persons were drowned. Three were clinging to the topmast, which was projecting into the sea without hope of being rescued.

TO HELP CHINA.

ALTRUISTIC M. P.'s.

LONDON, Jan. 7.

The Parliamentary Group, formed on the 3rd inst. for the purpose of "furthering the interests of China" has had a meeting at which Mr. J. C. Wedgwood, (Liberal M. P. for Newcastle-under-Lyme) presided. A resolution was adopted to the effect that the group be extended so that later it would include men of letters, science, and other distinguished persons.

The objects of the body are to keep in touch with similar groups elsewhere and with the leaders of thought in the Chinese Parliament; also to help the new Republic by Parliamentary action, by influencing public opinion, keeping a check upon mis-statements of the Press, and in every way giving the new Republic the best opportunity of developing a China free and on independent lines.

M. Hanjankia, who was instrumental in forming a similar group in France, in addressing the meeting, stated that the French group would be supported by Messieurs Painleve, Jaures, Anatole France, and Pressense.

PORTUGUESE POLITICAL CRISIS.

WHY THE CABINET RESIGNED.

LONDON, Jan. 7.

A message from Lisbon says that Senhor Duarte Leite, the retiring Premier, says the Cabinet resigned because the situation which called it into being, viz., the fear of disturbances arising from the Royalist invasion, had now disappeared.

SENHOR ALMEIDA RELINQUISHES THE PREMIERSHIP.

LATER.

Reuter's correspondent at Lisbon states that Senhor Almeida has relinquished the Premiership owing to lack of Parliamentary support.

SENHOR AFFONSO COSTA ACCEPTS THE POSITION.

A later telegram from Reuter's correspondent at Lisbon states that Senhor Affonso Costa has accepted the Premiership.

THE BUDGET STATEMENT.

IMPORTS AND EXPORTS DECREASES.

LONDON, Jan. 7.

The only decreases in the annual imports are in dutiable food and drink and in ship-building to the amount of £223,492 against £30,830 last year. The principal increases were in grain and flour 12½ millions, other food 4 millions, tobacco one million. The raw materials amounted to 27½ millions, of which nine millions were cotton, half a million wool, and 10 millions manufactures. The increases in exports were in iron and steel manufactures. Machinery, ships, etc., ten millions of coal, four millions textiles, two millions manufactures, 24 millions of cotton, and half a million wool.

BRITISH TRADE RETURNS.

INTERESTING "RECORD" FIGURES.

LONDON, Jan. 7.

The British trade for the month of December shows increases in imports of £9,130,811, and in exports of £2,837,159. The increases make a record year in imports of £84,728,987, and in exports of £33,314,704.

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THE SIX NATIONS LOAN.

MR CRISP'S LOAN "TAKEN OVER."

LONDON, Jan. 7.

Mr Crisp states that the Six Nations Group have taken over the balance of his loan, which will be issued as a part of the Six Nations' Loans.

BANKERS TO MEET ON FRIDAY.

The bankers concerned in the Six Nations Loan will meet in London on Friday to discuss details of the new loan arrangement with Mr Crisp. China has removed the bar to the fresh loan, which it is expected will be issued soon after peace has been concluded in the Balkans. The amount will be discussed on Friday.

GREAT BRITAIN AND TIBET.

CHINA'S "MISCALCULATION."

LONDON, Jan. 7.

The Times, discussing the Chinese action in Tibet, says that President Yuan Shih-kai and his advisers think that Great Britain will not face another Lhasa expedition. They make a miscalculation. Britain will certainly not tolerate any further violation of Treaty rights, and the best way of terminating for ever Chinese attempts to re-assert sovereignty over Tibet is to send a British representative to Lhasa. Great Britain is in a false position when stress is laid on our right to maintain independent relations with Tibet while all communications go to Lhasa via Peking.

FRENCH NAVAL DISASTER.

EIGHT MEN KILLED.

LONDON, Jan. 7.

A message from Toulon says that eight men were killed by the explosion of a steam pipe in the engine room of the French battleship *Mascara*.

OBITUARY.

LONDON, Jan. 7.

The death is announced of Zobeir Pasha, the famous slave trader, who was afterwards reconciled with General Gordon in the Sudan.

SIR SIDNEY OLIVER'S APPOINTMENT.

LONDON, Jan. 7.

Sir Sidney Oliver, the Governor of Jamaica, whose name was mentioned as the new Governor of Ceylon, has been appointed Permanent Secretary to the Board of Agriculture.

ENGLISH MINERS' WAGES ADVANCED.

LONDON, Jan. 7.

Owing to the increased price in the output of coal, the Conciliation Board for the English area have granted the miners an advance of five per cent, bringing up the wages to the 1908 point, which is the highest on record.

BRITISH TARIFF REFORM.

"A SIGN OF RELIEF."

LONDON, Jan. 7.

The Times says that the rank and file of the Unionists at Westminster are realising with a sigh of relief that they are now almost solid against the food tax. It is understood that the ponderous view was communicated to Mr. Bonar Law yesterday. Naturally some of the leaders feel that they are in a rather difficult position. There is, however, every sympathy with the food tax stalwarts, who will be given every possible accommodation.

THE TANJONG PAGAR CASE.

SETTLEMENT REPORTED.

LONDON, Jan. 7.

The Times announces that a settlement has been arrived at between Sir John Ald and the Tanjong Pagar Dock Board.

THE BOYCOTT.

Government Offers Big Rewards.

The Government is offering big rewards for information which will lead to the conviction of offenders against the new Boycott Prevention Ordinance and the bills giving notice of them which have been posted all over the Colony are being read with considerable interest by the Chinese. They recite that "whereas a number of persons have been found in the Colony who are conducting to intimidate persons who wish to use the electric tram cars of the Hongkong Electric Traction Co., Ltd., of Hongkong, and threatening letters have been received by individuals in connection with the said matter, the following rewards are offered for information which shall be the means of obtaining a conviction in certain cases which are specified.

The reward offered for information leading to a conviction of persons inciting to boycott, and for posting up any such placard or delivering any such letter referred to, is \$100 for each conviction. For information leading to a conviction of a person guilty of any other act of intimidation in connection with the use of the cars \$300 is offered for each conviction, while for each conviction of persons printing or publishing any such placard or writing any intimidating letter the reward is \$1,000. A similar amount is offered for proof to the satisfaction of the Captain Superintendent of Police of any society having been formed or used or any meeting having been held for the purpose of encouraging any case in relation to the use of the cars which are or would be an offence against the ordinance. The notice is signed by the Captain Superintendent of Police.

A "SHAVIAN" PLAY.

"Candida."

Tonight at the Theatre Royal the Allan Wilkie Dramatic Company will present Mr. George Bernard Shaw's well-known farcical comedy entitled "Candida." "G. B. S." as is well-known, is not precisely like most men, and his plays, in consequence, are not precisely like other plays. They are a fascinating combination, I think, of comedy—which is the chief quality in all the plays whether "Placenta" or "Candida"—as Mr. Shaw has labelled some of them and satire—the former being of a delightful character and the latter being very much to the point and dwelling keenly upon many strange anomalies in our varied and complex society.

As to the incidents of the play itself— "Candida" is a play of temperament rather than of action, and it is the gradual lifting of the veil that reveals the varying personalities of the characters not only from one another but from themselves that provides the progress and climax necessary to drama.

The Rev. James Morrell, a paragon of specialist convictions, strong and confident in his own opinions and beliefs, of which not the least strong is belief in himself introduces into his family circle a youth, Eugene Marchbanks, the son of a peer, who, alarmed at his son's deviation from type, is striving to save him into his own conception of the fitness of things. Marchbanks, whose scheme of life and thought differs not only from that of his own father but equally so from that of Morrell is a poet with all a woman's intuitiveness, with all a poet's instinctive divination of the truth, a compound of physical cowardice and intellectual courage, a strange, shy, slight effeminate youth—in short the direct antithesis of Morrell. Candida, Morrell's wife, a woman endowed with largeness of mind and dignity of character, beloved by both, becomes unconsciously the storm centre of their temperamental antipathies, and in the conflict the essential weakness of Morrell's strength, the strength of Marchbanks' weakness, are brought into evidence. It is that real weakness that Candida divines allows to decide her choice; and Marchbanks, quit of the desire for happiness leaves them to theirs, with the realisation that life is nobler than happiness.

On their last (which, it seems strange to say, was also their first) visit to Hongkong, the Allan Wilkie Dramatic Company performed this whimsical play; and as I was present, I am prepared to say that the high appreciation which I believe Mr. Wm. Archer, the eminent critic of the Drama, bestowed upon the Company when he saw them perform this play at Colombo, was in every way well-merited. "Every member of the cast played his or her respective part with marked ability, and though I am somewhat reluctant here to single out any one for special mention, I must say that Mr. Weir's presentation of the Shelley-like individual, Eugene Marchbanks, impressed me very much by his excellent qualities and still remains with me as a very pleasant recollection.

I sincerely hope that the Allan Wilkie Company will meet with much success for "Candida" is a play of such a very remarkable man as Mr. George Bernard Shaw. I may as well remind the reader that the Company intend to produce "Mrs. Warren's Profession" on Friday evening. This is, as is well-known, another of the much-discussed Shavian plays, and, needless to say, will be ably presented by the Company. I hope that Mr. Allan Wilkie's enterprise will meet with at least adequate support.

ROSCUUS.

A two-roomed cottage, or "palace," as it is described by the aborigines, is being built by orders of the New South Wales Government for the old black warrior, King Boony, and his Queen Caroline, at Grafton, New South Wales.



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'A BAD CHARACTER.'

Candid Admission.

A man who was charged before Mr. Hazeland to-day with being in possession of half a razor blade, which it is supposed he used for felonious purposes, said to the Magistrate "I am a bad character. I came from Canton the day before yesterday, and I brought it with me."

Mr. Hazeland said it was very candid of the man to admit that he was a bad character. He would have to be put away until after the Chinese New Year. He would be sentenced to six weeks' hard labour.

THE BANK NOTE CASE.

At the Magistrate's court this afternoon before Mr. Melbourne the eight Japanese who are charged in connection with the possession of forged bank-notes, were again brought up.

Inspector Marston was re-called, and deposed to searching a portmanteau belonging to the first defendant on the 22nd December in the detective room. In it was found 800 \$ notes in four packages. There was also a handkerchief containing 400 \$5 Captain notes. Other notes were found on his person.

The case was proceeding when we went to press.

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